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SENATE RESOLUTION 49
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A RESOLUTION To specially recognize one of Tennessee's best and brightest students Gabriel Andrew Garcia, the 2001 Kenwood High School Valedictorian.

WHEREAS, Students who work hard, demonstrate superior academic standards and are successful bode well for the future of our communities and state, because they are our future business and civic leaders; and

WHEREAS, Gabriel Andrew Garcia, the 2001 Kenwood High School Valedictorian, is one such admirable example of a student role model, who has shown steady composure at examination time, always been ready for a new challenge and thrived on strong competition; and

WHEREAS, Gabriel has achieved the very rare distinction of having an enviable 4.0 Grade Point Average; and

WHEREAS, His college entrance scores were equally impressive, with the SAT I being 660 Verbal and 730 Math; the SAT II being 750 Writing, 710 Math Level 2, and 730 Chemistry; and the ACT being 34; and

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WHEREAS, In the true spirit of the Volunteer State, Gabriel has generously contributed his time and talent to several important extracurricular activities, as the four-year tenor saxophonist with the Marching, Concert, and Jazz bands; as a valued member of the National Honor Society and as a member of the cast of *"Flowers for Algernon"*; and

WHEREAS, His long list of awards and honors include: National Merit Scholarship, selection for *Who's Who Among American High School Students* (9th-12th grades) All-Montgomery County Band (9th, 10th, and 12th grades), All-Middle Tennessee Band (9th and 12th grades), and Tennessee All-State Band (12th grade), Clarksville-Montgomery County Academic Awards (10th –12th grades), and selection to be a member of the prestigious Montgomery County Academic Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Gabriel has also been hard at work helping the residents of Montgomery County, as a popular tutor at Northwest High School and Summit Heights Learning Center, as a strong supporter of Kids Voting 2000, and as a participant in tree planting on Arbor Day 2001; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate that we pause in our deliberations to specially recognize this special citizen of our state; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we honor and commend Gabriel Andrew Garcia on his selection as the 2001 Kenwood High School Valedictorian and wish him much continued success in all that he does.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.